

WEEKLY BULLETIN

ENCOUNTERING, GROWING, PARTICIPATING

Sunday 19th October

OUR SERVICE THIS SUNDAY

Recognising our exile

Isaiah 1:1–20

Revelation 2:1–7

Preach Fabian Wuyts

Lead Sue Lucas

Holy Communion

NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday 26th October

Seeing God's holiness

Isaiah 57:14–21

1 Peter 1:13–21

Preach Nigel Bright

Lead Sara Bright

Sunday 2nd November

Receiving His promise in the Messiah

Isaiah 11:1–10

Romans 15:8–13

Preach Ed Hosken

Lead Mike Gillingham

Holy Communion

Our Mission Focus for October



please keep them in your prayers

Volunteering at Open Door

An inspiring team of positive and fun volunteers

We are supported by inspiring, positive and fun volunteers. Our kitchen teams make delicious meals, which are always appreciated. We have front of House servers and those who offer practical advice, a listening ear and often a lot of laughter.

We also have a team who organise our donations and complete bags and bags of laundry. Their dedication and commitment enable us to support our clients.

There are several roles a volunteer can fulfil at Open Door:

Kitchen team

Donations

Trustee

Make and mend

Maintenance and centre support

Become a volunteer

Whatever your skill or interest, please speak with the team at Open Door to find out how you can help and can become a volunteer. Just send an email or call us.



If you would like to make a contribution to the flower fund for a special date, occasion or simply because you love flowers, you can reserve a date in the diary by speaking to any of the team (Sue, Carole, Annie or Lyn) and they will do the rest!



*We invite you to drop in and
Simply Pray*

*Offering a time of contemplative
Prayer through guided meditation and
Reflection in the Chapel*

Thursday 6 November
7.00pm to 8.30pm

*All welcome – come along and leave
when its right for you*
Please use Hall entrance



St James Church
TAUNTON

"The Room" Initiative

Healing and Wholeness

St James Church
Sunday 19th October
at 7pm

A time to encounter God, receive prayer,
and experience renewal
in body, mind, and spirit.



St James Church
TAUNTON

All Souls Service

Remembering those no longer with us

November 2, 2025 @ 3 pm
St James Church,



IT'S SHOE BOX TIME!

Message from the Children's Church - would anyone like to knit or crochet some children's hats for the Christmas shoeboxes, or any other knitted or crocheted children's toys or clothes would be great too. We would like to pack our boxes on Sunday 2nd November ready for Roger's collection on 9th November.



The Big Quiz Night

Saturday 15th November
7pm

St James Church Hall

Please join us for a FUN evening, bring your family, friends, neighbours, in teams of 6, to join us.

Bring your own refreshments, hot drinks on sale

tearfund.org/quiz
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Somerset Council

Consultation on proposed changes to Sunday parking charges

Have your say
Sunday parking charges consultation

Somerset Council is inviting residents and businesses to share their views on proposals to introduce Sunday parking charges across council-run car parks.

This is part of a wider plan to make parking rules fairer and more consistent across the county.

The consultation will run for six weeks, from 8 September to 20 October 2025, and feedback received will help inform future decisions.

Please have your say, this will impact all those who drive to Church on Sunday.

<https://somersetcouncil.citizenspace.com/parking/copy-of-consultation/>

SUNDAYS 10.30

COME ALONG ANY TIME!

ST James Church TAUNTON

PLAY WE BEGIN AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH EXPLORING A WIDE RANGE OF TOYS

STORY TIME WE HEAD TO THE HALL FOR A BIBLE STORY AND SONG

CRAFT WE HAVE A VARIETY OF CRAFT ACTIVITIES INCLUDING PAINT, PLAY DOUGH, COLLAGE ...

GAMES WE LOVE TO PLAY BOTH INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GAMES TOGETHER

SNACK WE ENJOY DELICIOUS SNACKS AND DRINKS

PRAY WE CLOSE WITH A REFLECTIVE PRAYER TIME

St James Church TAUNTON

Hymns & Tea

Twice monthly, 2nd & 4th Sundays
Hymns & afternoon tea 2:30 – 4:00 pm
Doors open at 2pm

All welcome

Lots of hymns you love, accompanied by the church organ and other musicians, Bible readings, and prayer.
A time to praise the Lord Jesus in an informal relaxed manner... followed by light refreshments.

Hymns & Tea

Sep	14 th & 28 th	Jan	11 th & 25 th
Oct	12 th & 26 th	Feb	8 th & 22 nd
Nov	9 th & 23 rd	2026 Mar	8 th & 22 nd
Dec	14 th Carols	Apr	12 th & 26 th
	Merry Christmas	May	10 th & 24 th
		Jun	14 th & 28 th

at St James Church, St James Street, Taunton TA1 1JS
(next to the county cricket ground)

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP
2pm for 2.30pm

PROGRAMME 2025

November 6th
Mike Gillingham
The Best Years of your Life?

Wednesday 3rd December
Christmas Meal

COMMITTEE
Carole Whitaker 430426 Vicky Dykes 282507
Sue Collard 271858 Ellen Price 289160
Rita Butler 275117

Joy to the World

Christians please help Find out more and how you can help bless our town

Share@J2tW.co.uk

12 hours of spreading the Good News of Jesus

10am - 12noon
Noah's Safari Treasure Hunt
Collect animals around town
X marks to spot to find the treasure

12noon - 4pm
Joy to the World Peaceful and gentle place to relax and shop in the Gift Gallery

4pm - 6pm
Hymns & Tea Hymns & Tea traditional time for afternoon tea

6pm - 8pm
Carols by Candlelight Bringing light to the town

8pm - 10pm
Praise party Praise is the shout that brings Jericho down

Let's bless our town
Shout your offer of help

15th Dec 2025, 10am-10pm
North St Church, Taunton TA1 1LW

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

OPERA . CAROLS . FUN

FRIDAY 5TH DEC AT 7PM

St James Church Taunton
TA1 1JS

Free admission
Donations welcome!

Somerset Opera

LUMOS

A Hans Zimmer candlelight experience

an unforgettable evening of music in an enchanting indoor setting

St James Church, St James St, Taunton
Friday 7th November
2 Sittings: 7-8pm | 9-10pm

Book tickets now!
www.lumos-experiences.com

PRAYER



Zoom Morning Prayer

Topic: St James Morning Prayer
Time: 9.15am
Day: Monday and Thursday
Meeting ID: 891 6439 9113



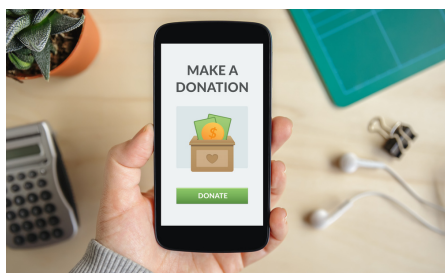
Prayer Space

A new day and time for Prayer
Space coming soon



Prayer for Taunton

St James Church Lounge - More
details from Andy on 01823 274656

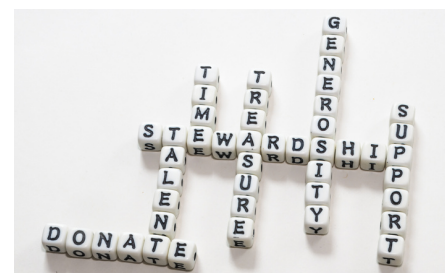


You can now donate electronically
at the door or by clicking the link
below

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/8565dd91-35b1-4bd2-8007-fe59feb9c9db3>



Cash can be placed in the wall safe
on the right hand side of the church
as you leave or in the collection
plate. You can gift aid donations by
using the yellow forms by the plate.



If you wish to set up regular
monthly giving, please contact
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